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### **Congressman Miller Supports Bipartisan Budget Agreement to Reduce Runaway Spending While Preserving Vital Programs**

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**WASHINGTON, DC-** Congressman Gary Miller (CA-31) issued the following statement on passage of *the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013*.

“Today, I voted in favor of *the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013* culminating weeks of hard work in both chambers,” said Congressman Miller. “I am happy both sides could come together and reach a deal that moves our country’s fiscal future in the right direction. While modest in scale, this agreement reduces the deficit and replaces one time spending cuts with real reforms- all without raising taxes on hardworking Americans. I especially want to thank Chairmen Paul Ryan and Patty Murray for their hard work.

“There is no doubt additional work remains in order to curb wasteful government spending, but I am confident, as we enter the New Year, we can capitalize on the progress made. Moving forward, I will continue to work toward reforms that reduce the deficit, balance the budget, and provide economic security for Inland Empire families.”

The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 would set overall discretionary spending for the current fiscal year at \$1.012 trillion—about halfway between the Senate budget level of \$1.058 trillion and the House budget level of \$967 billion. The agreement would provide \$63 billion in sequester relief over two years, split evenly between defense and non-defense programs.

The sequester relief is fully offset by savings elsewhere in the budget. The agreement includes dozens of specific deficit-reduction provisions, with mandatory savings and non-tax revenue totaling approximately \$85 billion. The agreement would reduce the deficit by between \$20 and \$23 billion.

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